

## PERSIAN-AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL MEET BEGINS TOMORROW

Scientists to Plan for Development of Oriental Country.

The second annual conference of the Persian-American Educational Society will commence a three days session tomorrow night in the auditorium of the Public Library. While not officially connected with the society, Abdul Baha Abbas, world leader of the Bahai movement, who arrived in New York from Europe last week, will be present at each of the three meetings of the conference and make addresses.

Plans have been perfected to portray the recent advances of Persia and to outline the projects which are in progress to restore the Oriental country to her former glory. One of the important results of the conference is expected to be the formal launching of the Orient-Occident Unity, of which the Persian-American Educational Society in the future will be a part. A constitution and by-laws of the unity have been prepared and approved, and it remains only for the delegates to vote the adoption of the joint instruments for the new organization to become a reality.

**To Continue Work.**

Though the Persian-American Educational Society has been engrossed in the task of improved educational methods in Persia this work will be continued by a branch of the unity, and the latter will have the more comprehensive object of a closer welding of all of the interests of the Orient and the Occident.

The sessions of the conference will be held in the evening, the first of the series opening at 8 o'clock in the Public Library hall, with William H. Hoar, the president, in the chair. Following an invocation by the Rev. George F. Dudley, he will make an address descriptive of "The Broader Mission of the Orient-Occident Unity." Joseph H. Hannan, secretary, will present the annual report of the society, and other addresses will be made by Congressman William Sulzer, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the House; Hooper Harlan, of New York; and Prof. A. V. Williams Jackson, of Columbia University.

**Secretary to Preside.**

Secretary Hannan will be the presiding officer at the Friday evening meeting, and the Rev. John Van Schick, Jr., will pronounce the invocation. Mr. Hannan will read a paper on the "Past and Future of the Society." Albertus H. Baldwin, of the Bureau of Manufactures, Department of Commerce and Labor, will speak on "Co-operation for Commercial Promotion." Benjamin F. Truolock, secretary of the American Peace Society, will speak on "The Growing Rapprochement of the Races." Prof. Arnault Belmont, of Georgetown University, will speak of the "Brotherhood of Nations," and Masfiro Honda, editor of the Oriental Review, New York, will make an address.

As presiding officer at the concluding session Saturday evening, Howard McNutt, of New York, will make the opening address, and other speakers will be John Barrett, director of the Pan American Union; Prof. Hermann Schoenfeld, of George Washington University; Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor; and Mirza Ahmad Sohrab, of Esfahan, Persia, treasurer of the Persian-American Educational Society. Mr. Sohrab will speak on "The Hand of Persia Not Stayed."

## Capitol Heights to Hold Celebration

The citizens of Capitol Heights, the suburb just beyond the District line in Maryland, are preparing to celebrate the incorporation of the town, at which the temporary officers, recently elected, will be sworn in. A meeting of the Capitol Heights Citizens' Association was held Tuesday night, at which preparations for this were made.

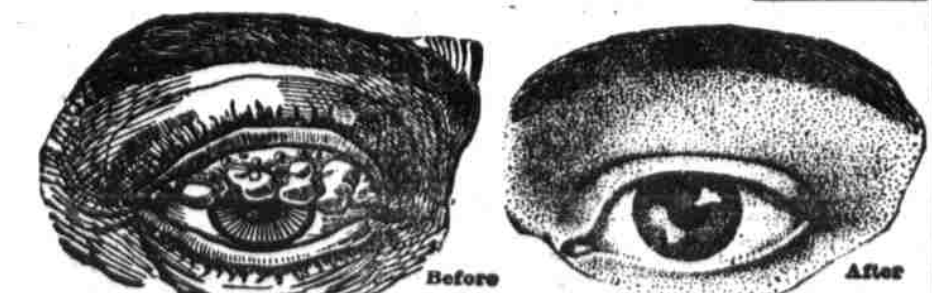
The recently elected officers were H. A. Holmes, mayor; J. F. Fletcher, treasurer, and W. McGinnis, T. J. Loughton, C. Sweeney, R. Gibbs, and W. Beaver, councilmen.

## Total Sun Eclipse Leaves Paris Dark

PARIS, France, April 17.—The night life of Paris lasted twenty-four hours today. An eclipse of the sun was total at ten minutes after noon, and at that time the city was in total darkness. The moon and the stars could be seen, and astronomers at all the observatories were kept busy making exact measurements. Several making ascensions in balloons to obtain a better view of the eclipse.

The street lights were lit at noon and the cafes and stores were deserted. Traffic in the streets was halted.

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## Quits Marine Band



VINCENT PETROLA, Who Retires From Marine Band Today After Thirty Years of Continuous Service.

## VINCENT PETROLA, MARINE BAND MAN, IS RETIRED TODAY

Served Thirty Years With Organization, as Did Father and Grandfather.

After thirty years' continuous service in the United States Marine Band, Vincent Petrola, of 519 Eighth street southeast, was retired today. His father, Salvatore Petrola, of 1008 E street southeast, also served thirty years in the band, and Vincent has the added distinction that his grandfather, Francis Scala, who was leader for twenty-seven years, also put in the limit of service in the band.

Petrola is forty-six years old, having entered the band when he was sixteen, and has performed at all the White House social functions and inaugural balls since the administration of President Arthur. Under the law, a bandman is entitled to retirement with a pension of three-quarters pay and allowances after thirty years' service. Petrola has been forced to take advantage of the retirement provision on account of poor health. He takes the patriotic view that a younger and more vigorous man should be entrusted with his work.

His father, Salvatore, although seventy-seven years old, is still active, and takes a keen interest in musical affairs. Salvatore entered the band in 1861, at the instance of Leader Scala, and served until 1881. He knew President Lincoln well, and tells interesting anecdotes of civil war times. He was assistant leader and the band's only soloist for many years. Attempts were made, in view of his long and faithful service, to retire him with the rank of leader, but Secretary of the Navy Benjamin F. Tracy vetoed the plan.

Hereditary succession has been quite the thing in the Marine Band, so much so that it used to be referred to often as a "family affair." About 10 per cent of the present members have fathers who played in the band before them.

## Silver Spring to Have More Lights

Twenty-one electric lights are to be installed on the street corners of Silver Spring, Md., according to an announcement made last night, by the legislative committee of the Silver Spring Improvement Association. Arrangements for the installation now are being completed.

It also was stated plans for erecting a town hall, a part of which will be used as a library, now are being rushed.

## Former Senator Elkins Would Regain Toga

Former Senator Davis Elkins of West Virginia has declared himself a candidate for the Senate.

He has addressed a letter to State Chairman Virgil L. Alighland at Clarksburg, and says he believes the voters of the State want a direct primary on the question of who shall represent them in the Senate. He asks the Republican State central committee to arrange for one.

## FORMER SHERIFF'S WIFE SUES HIM FOR LIMITED DIVORCE

Mrs. Minnie E. Mullican Charges Desertion and Cruelty.

ROCKVILLE, Md., April 17.—Mrs. Minnie E. Mullican, of this town, has filed suit in the circuit court here for a divorce a mensa et thoro from George W. Mullican, formerly sheriff of this county. In the bill she charges desertion and cruelty, and asks alimony and counsel fees. She also asks the court to give her the custody of their four children. Mr. Mullican is now living in Allen, Ind. Mrs. Mullican is represented by Attorneys Frank Higgins and Clifford H. Robertson, of Rockville.

The barn on the farm of Dr. Hall, near Washington Grove, this county, was destroyed by fire Monday night and two horses and a mule belonging to the tenant, Joseph W. Gates, were burned. It is supposed the building was set on fire by lightning.

Henry Humes, colored, was acquitted in the circuit court here today of a charge of larceny. His release from jail emptied the building of prisoners.

being the first time in a long while the institution has been without one or more prisoners.

The Glen Echo town council has appointed E. D. Edgerton F. L. Woodward, and Roscoe M. Roach judges, and John E. Lloyd, clerk, to conduct the biennial town election, May 6, when a mayor and two members of the council will be chosen to succeed Mayor Robert L. Garrett and Councilmen Daniel Collins and Thomas A. Weaver. It is understood that Mayor Garrett and Councilmen Collins and Weaver will be candidates for re-election.

Matthew Stanley Brown, aged thirty-nine and a widower, of Cleveland, Ohio, visited Rockville yesterday afternoon and procured a license to marry Mrs. Daisy Richardson Doyle, aged twenty-nine, of Chicago, who, he stated, had been divorced. He did not say where or when the ceremony would take place.

The Jeannette Athletic Club baseball team has been organized here with Louis Berry manager and Spencer Mullican captain. The team will be composed of the following players: Catcher, Mullican; pitcher, Berry; first base, Mullican; second base, Burrows; third base, Thompson; shortstop, Ricketts; left field, McGahan; center field, Beam; right field, Riley. A schedule of games is being arranged.

## Bartender Appeals.

An appeal has been noted in the case of William Lloyd, bartender of the Hotel Vendome, convicted recently of selling intoxicants to Indians, wards of the United States. Lloyd was sentenced to sixty days in jail and fine \$100.

## To Give Church Dinner.

Sunday school superintendents, their assistants and their ladies will be the guests at a dinner at the Fifth Baptist Church, E. between Sixth and Seventh streets southwest, Monday, April 22. A number of speeches will be made.

## TAFT IS COMMENDED BY CATHOLIC PRIEST FOR REVOKING ORDER

Rev. Alexander Doyle Sends Letter to President Following Decision.

Commending President Taft for the action he took revoking the "religious garb and insignia order" issued by Indian Commissioner Valentine, the Rev. Alexander P. Doyle, C. S. P., head of the Apostolic Mission House and secretary-treasurer of the Catholic Missionary Union, sent a letter to the White House today in which he presented the Catholic view of the question. The letter was written following the action by the Pastors' Federation of Washington, which censured the President for ordering a revocation of the order.

In his letter to the President, the Rev. Father Doyle says: "It is a great pity the Protestant ministers have taken such a narrow-minded view of your action in suspending the order of Commissioner Valentine in regard to the wearing of religious garb in the Indian schools. How much better it would have been if they had only co-operated in a positive program that would tend to surround the Indian with as much influence as possible. The pity of it is that it exposes the littleness of some religious men to the jeers and scoffs of the irreligious and antireligious, and thus makes for the destruction and for the edification of Christianity."

The Rev. Joseph T. Kelly, president of the Pastors' Federation, speaking of the "barring" of Monsignor Russell, of St. Patrick's Church, from the meeting of the society when the "religious garb" order was upheld, said the Catholic prelate was not admitted to the meeting because its membership was composed of the Protestant clergy of the city.

"It would have been fruitless for Monsignor Russell to have spoken on the order of Commissioner Valentine, anyhow," said the Rev. Mr. Kelly. "The matter was settled and could not be turned in the other direction."

## The Kitchen Floor

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